Senate Bill No. 144

Passed the Senate	August 28, 2003
	Secretary of the Senate
Passed the Assembl	y August 25, 2003
	Chief Clerk of the Assembly
This bill was receive	ved by the Governor this day of
	, 2003, at o'clockM.
	Private Secretary of the Governor

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An act to add Section 68511.6 to the Government Code, relating to courts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 144, Escutia. Judicial Council: trial court meetings.

Existing law requires the Judicial Council to undertake studies and adopt rules relating to the administration of the trial courts.

This bill would require the Judicial Council to adopt rules concerning the administrative and financial functions of a trial court and requiring trial courts to give notice to the public of decisions concerning those functions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 68511.6 is added to the Government Code, to read:

68511.6. The Judicial Council shall adopt appropriate rules providing for notice to the public and for public input to decisions concerning administrative and financial functions of a trial court, including, but not limited to, decisions relating to the budget of the trial court prior to submittal to the Judicial Council and subsequent to budget approval. The Judicial Council shall also adopt appropriate rules requiring trial courts to give notice to the public of other appropriate decisions concerning the administrative and financial functions of the trial courts. The provisions of this section do not apply to the judicial or adjudicative functions of the trial courts or to the assignment of judges.

Approved	, 2003
	Governor